

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : Pankaj Patel et al.

Serial No : 10/665,066

Filed : September 17, 2003

For : Materials and Methods for Manufacturing Cigarettes

Examiner : Dionne Walls Mayes

Art Unit : 1731

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Official Action mailed October 4, 2006, in the above-identified application. This extension of time will extend the period for filing to expire on April 4, 2007.

Enclosed is a credit card form authorizing a charge of \$1,020.00 for the fee for a three month extension of time. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required by this action, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-1435. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

The Office is respectfully invited to contact J. Michael Boggs at (336) 747-7536, to discuss any matter relating to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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